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FROM

**THE SECRETARY OF WAR,**

TRANSMITTING,

Pursuant to a Resolution of the House of Representatives, of the 23th ultimo,

STATEMENTS

OF THE AMOUNTS AND COSTS OF GOODS,

FURNISHED ANNUALLY TO

**INDIAN TRADING HOUSES,**

SINCE THE YEAR 1815.

Specifying, also, the kinds and quantity of Furs, &c. &c. annually received, since that period, of said Factories.

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APRIL 13, 1820.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

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## DEPARTMENT OF WAR,

*April 12th, 1820.*

SIR: Pursuant to a resolution of the House of Representatives, of the 25th ultimo, directing the Secretary of War to transmit, to the House, "a statement shewing the amount and costs (including transportation and other charges) of the goods furnished annually to each factory, or Indian trading house, since the peace of 1815; specifying, also, the kind and quantity of furs, peltries, or other property, annually received since that period at each factory; also, the amount of the sales of such furs, peltries, or other property; and the balance, if any, now due from such sales to the government," I have the honor to transmit, herewith, a report of the Superintendent of Indian trade, which contains the information required.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient servant,

J. C. CALHOUN.

Honorable HENRY CLAY,

*Speaker of the House of Representatives  
of the United States.*

OFFICE OF INDIAN TRADE,

*Georgetown, April 7th, 1820.*

Hon. J. C. CALHOUN:

SIR: I have the honor, in compliance with your request of the 27th ultimo, herewith, to furnish you with a statement embracing all the information called for by a resolution of the House of Representatives, of the 25th ultimo.

Very respectfully,

I have the honor to be,

Your obedient servant,

THO. L. M'KENNEY,

*Superintendent of Indian Trade.*



**STATEMENT**, shewing the amount and costs, (including transportation and other charges,) of the goods furnished, annually, to each Factory, or Indian Trading House, since the peace of 1815; specifying also the kind and quantity of Furs, Peltries, and other property annually received since that period, at each factory, and also the amount of the sales of such Furs, Peltries, and other property.

		AMOUNT OF MERCHAN- DISE.	AMOUNT OF TRANSPOR- TATION, &c.	FURS, PELTRIES, AND OTHER PROPERTY, RECEIVED AT FACTORIES.																	AMOUNT OF SALES OF FURS, &c.	
				Deer Skins.	Bear.	Beaver.	Otter.	Fox.	Raccoon.	1815.	Fisher.	Mink.	Marten.	Muskrat.	W. Cat.	Lead.	Bees Wax.	Tallow.	Matts.			Cash.
Chactaw Factory - - -		11,981 96	809 31	lbs. 6,250	-	-	-	-	-	Removed to Fort Con- federation.	-	-	-	-	-	lbs. 329	-	-	-	\$ 1,592 52	1,562 71	
Chickasaw Bluffs - - -		8,168 09	721 81	35,426	skins 17	lbs. 58	skins 61	-	37	-	-	-	-	62	-	-	lbs. 663	-	-	784 13	10,180 85	
Red River - - -		194 88	35 67	27,627	444	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,459 23	7,597 56	
Georgia - - -		2,925 76	166 00	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not in operation.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28 21	-	
Prairie du Chien - - -		11,126 93	1,307 16	-	-	-	-	-	-	Established this year.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Fort Osage - - -		8,596 28	1,483 68	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Green Bay - - -		15,787 44	2,441 53	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Chicago - - -		9,502 48	1,558 99	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
										1816.												
Chactaw Factory - - -		20,773 91	611 36	28,042	-	136	47	205	181	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,131	-	-	-	9,249 47	6,647 86	
Chickasaw Bluffs - - -		8,373 99	793 94	40,077	16	236	90	-	487	-	-	-	-	36	-	128	280	-	-	738 72	11,670 84	
Red River - - -		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not in operation.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	319 75	-	
Georgia - - -		2,676 87	135 42	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,664 57	-	
Prairie du Chien - - -		21,485 26	1,706 41	4,451	123	496	54	-	261	-	-	-	2,445	-	-	-	-	-	-	424 10	4,486 39	
Osage - - -		15,167 77	1,459 78	10,900	485	-	155	-	375	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,224 45	7,509 28	
Green Bay - - -		4,617 28	897 16	15	11	-	5	2	19	Partially in operation.	6	4	20	1,452	-	-	-	-	-	374 68	-	
Chicago - - -		2,505 93	514 13	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	509	-	-	-	2	-	464 95	-	
										1817.												
Chactaw Factory - - -		19,286 66	786 37	54,011	13	370	101	1,584	1,023	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,141	349	-	-	3,675 61	13,241 40	
Chickasaw Bluffs - - -		3,914 39	577 63	23,621	28	416	55	250	1,276	-	-	-	-	-	-	135	270	-	-	870 26	6,038 13	
Red River - - -		7,863 85	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Not in operation.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	273 28	-	
Georgia - - -		2,464 68	183 50	-	-	-	-	-	-	do	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,688 19	-	
Prairie du Chien - - -		16,169 86	2,681 67	2,441	293	694	480	7	2,685	-	97	240	-	92	-	-	-	16	-	3,199 32	10,364 95	
Fort Osage - - -		10,978 51	1,540 37	15,916	222	2,263	39	-	2,469	-	-	-	14,015	64	-	72	1,866	-	-	1,429 23	16,606 74	
Green Bay - - -		3,991 34	787 43	skins 210	22	13	12	7	45	-	17	49	112	2,140	-	3	22	26	-	3,280 15	1,256 24	
Chicago - - -		5,474 90	922 81	do 74	-	1	28	-	625	-	-	148	-	16,991	120	-	-	-	-	495 01	4,598 25	
										1818.												
Chactaw Factory - - -		17,176 67	1,236 35	37,380	-	323	69	1,571	991	-	-	-	-	-	-	138	152	-	-	12,658 59	8,271 85	
Chickasaw Bluffs - - -		1,891 24	299 23	4,862	40	75	23	92	246	Removed to Arkansas.	-	-	-	-	-	43	37	-	-	335 95	718 32	
Red River - - -		6,038 25	628 37	10,397	150	118	55	13	210	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,108 65	Not sold.	
Georgia - - -		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Sales all for cash	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,198 10	-	
Prairie du Chien - - -		6,128 84	2,002 06	4,115	135	786	517	144	1,996	-	25	231	-	16,712	-	-	-	90	Feathers, lbs. 834	3,266 77	24,375 55	
Fort Osage - - -		14,401 18	1,265 54	28,016	288	2,992	393	19	2,278	-	-	-	130	153	-	100	3,560	-	-	1,543 22	19,445 22	
Fort Edwards - - -		6,293 92	828 22	1,052	1	17	26	-	150	-	-	-	350	4	254	81	40	33	-	118 87	Not sold.	
Green Bay - - -		2,323 49	418 25	skins 51	1	-	-	2	7	-	4	10	-	188	-	-	-	26	Sugar, 3,098	3,103 98	340 14	
Chicago - - -		1,807 85	388 38	do 42	-	39	28	16	455	-	1	97	-	8,172	4	-	-	-	-	454 02	1,758 57	
										1819.												
Chactaw Factory - - -		14,687 86	1,622 87	64,632	104	578	134	940	456	-	-	-	-	25	-	359	301	-	{ Cotton, 151 }	2,944 86	{ Part sold. }	
Arkansas - - -		2,206 79	1,058 52	15,699	235	226	20	116	453	Removed from C. Bluffs.	-	-	-	-	-	764	236	-	{ Hides, 154 }	614 75	{ }	
Red River - - -		2,944 21	138 42	20,053	541	377	100	-	690	-	-	-	-	15	-	232	-	-	-	1,395 00	860 25	
Prairie du Chien - - -		8,394 84	1,615 36	3,251	30	303	188	-	371	-	62	72	9	9,748	48	67,799	160	662	177	Feathers, 734	427 87	5,963 88
Fort Osage - - -		9,074 09	1,197 35	33,066	252	2,711	345	2	2,035	-	-	-	-	11	25	-	27	-	12	2,425 57	11,178 77	
Fort Edwards - - -		4,638 82	502 11	3,296	75	199	33	1	719	-	-	4	-	922	51	-	183	18	18	255 61	Not sold.	
Green Bay - - -		-	-	skins 362	9	2	11	-	51	-	13	30	5	2,141	4	-	-	-	9	Sugar, 1,996	2,488 43	151 97
Chicago - - -		-	-	do 79	-	-	15	-	102	-	-	6	-	1,914	5	-	-	-	-	2,350 21	521 85	

Balance on sales of Furs, Peltries, &c. to be collected, 15,808 27